



## RESOLUTION

URGING THE MAYOR TO PROVIDE AT LEAST ONE MILLION DOLLARS PER YEAR IN COMMUNITY BENEFITS TO THE LEEWARD COAST AS COMPENSATION FOR THE FUTURE DUMPING OF CONSTRUCTION AND DEMOLITION DEBRIS THAT WILL RESULT FROM THE RAIL TRANSIT PROJECT.

WHEREAS, at a total cost of \$5.3 billion, the Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project ("rail transit project") is the most expensive capital project in the city's history; and

WHEREAS, according to the rail transit project's 2010 Final Environmental Impact Statement: "Large volumes of solid waste are often generated at construction sites"; and

WHEREAS, according to information provided by the Pacific Waste Consulting Group to the Mayor's Advisory Committee on Landfill Site Selection ("Advisory Committee") on March 10, 2011, the amount of Construction and Demolition ("C&D") debris that will result from the rail transit project is unknown and must be estimated prior to the start of the phases of construction; and

WHEREAS, the PVT landfill in Nanakuli is Oahu's only C&D landfill; and

WHEREAS, according to additional information provided to the Advisory Committee at its March 10, 2011 meeting, the City estimated in its 2008 Draft Integrated Solid Waste Management Plan that total C&D debris in 2008 was 247,780 tons; and

WHEREAS, in the past, the City has provided community benefits packages to the Leeward Coast to help offset the impact of having Oahu's only municipal solid waste ("MSW") landfill, including:

- Mayor Hannemann announcing on January 8, 2007 that the City will provide \$1 million in grants to 19 nonprofit organizations and an additional \$1 million in supplemental park improvements as part of the Waianae community benefits package. The Mayor said, "I have long advocated the need for something like this, above and beyond routine City funding and attention for a community that has all too often in the past felt it was treated as second-class"; and
- On December 26, 2007, the Mayor announced the second year of the Waianae community benefits package that would provide \$1 million in grants to 25 nonprofit organizations in the community and \$1.5 million in supplemental park improvements. The Mayor noted that, "This money,



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combined with operating and capital improvements already included in the City budget, will make a significant difference in our efforts to keep our parks clean and safe”;

and

WHEREAS, specific spending recommendations for these past community benefits packages were made with the input of community representatives from the Leeward Coast; and

WHEREAS, the Council finds that just as the City provided community benefits to the Leeward Coast in consideration for having Oahu’s only MSW landfill, the City should provide community benefits to the Leeward Coast for also having Oahu’s only C&D landfill, which will in the near future be receiving large volumes of construction waste as a result of the rail transit project; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City and County of Honolulu that the Mayor is urged to provide at least one million dollars per year in community benefits to the Leeward Coast as compensation for the future dumping of construction and demolition debris that will result from the rail transit project; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor is urged to seek the input of the Nanakuli-Mailii Neighborhood Board No. 36 regarding specific spending decisions for this community benefits package; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor is urged to continue this benefits package for each year of the duration of the rail transit project’s construction period; and



**CITY COUNCIL**  
CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU  
HONOLULU, HAWAII

No. 11-352

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BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that copies of this Resolution be transmitted to the Mayor, the Director of Environmental Services, the Chair of the Board of Directors of the Honolulu Authority for Rapid Transportation, and the Chair of the Nanakuli-Maili Neighborhood Board No. 36.

INTRODUCED BY:

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Honolulu, Hawaii

Councilmembers